

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2834**

PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 08379.0002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Bernardino De MARTINO) Group Art Unit: 2834
Application No.: 09/807,510) Examiner: Dang D. Le
Filed: April 16, 2001)
For: ANTI-DEFLAGRATING)
OPERATING ACTUATOR)

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Office Action dated February 14, 2003, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 4, 6-8, 12, 13, and 15, amend claim 14, and add new claims 16, as follows:

14. (Amended) An anti-deflagrating operating actuator, integrally protected against deflagration and having an external protection housing that is formed in a shape that outlines internal parts of the actuator, said actuator comprising: